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Applicant : Yasuo NISHIDA (As Amended)

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 30, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for a response was said to expire on June 30, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this Response.